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1. WILLIAM RMDGERS, MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE, IN A WRITTEN ANSWER TO A PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION CONCERNING UK/HONG KONG FORCE REDUCTIONS SAID: "...AGREEMENT WAS REACHED WITH THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT ON A FUTURE GARRISON TO COMPRISE FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS -- THREE OF THEM GURKHA -- AN ENGINEER SQUADRON, FIVE NAVAL PATROL CRAFT AND A SQUADRON OF RAF HELICOPTERS. THIS FOLLOWS INTERIM REDUCTIONS ALPEADY ANNOUNCED AND, AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF POUNDS 42 1/2 MILLION A YEAR, REPRESENTS A SAVING OF POUNDS 20 MILLION OVER THE COST OF THE ORIGINAL GARRISON."

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